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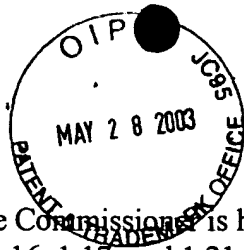
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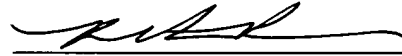
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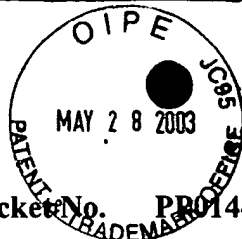
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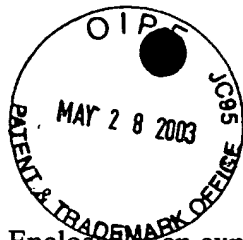
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant(s) hereby submits the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98.

- ☒ Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98, a copy of each document cited in the attached Form PTO/SB/08 is enclosed.
- ☐ No copies of the publications listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A are being provided pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d) because the publications were previously cited by or submitted to the Office in prior Application Serial No. ____ to which the above-identified application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120.
- ☒ Publication(s) A1, B1-7 listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A were cited in a foreign search or examination report corresponding to ____ application serial no. PCT/US00/20214 and mailed on October 29, 2002.
- ☒ Enclosed is a copy of a non-English publication(s) B1. Pursuant to §609 of the M.P.E.P., Applicant submits the attached foreign search or examination report, which cites such non-English language publication(s).
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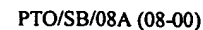
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